

REPUBLICAN MACHINE STARTS QUADRIENNIAL GRIND ON PLATFORM

Amid Roar of Voices and Crash of Bands Chairman
Hays's Gavel Falls, Calling G. O. P. Delegates to
Order for History Making Session in
Chicago Coliseum.

SENATOR LODGE MADE CHAIRMAN BY ACCLAMATION

Committees Begin Work on
Convention Routine.

Delegates in Session for Two
Hours at Opening.

WARMED UP TO LODGE

The Not in Hurrahing Mood,
Crowd Caught Points.

Keynote Speech Took Hour and
Eighteen Minutes.

CHEERS FOR NATIONAL ANTHEM

Delegates and Visitors Stand
and Sing With Band.

Majority of 1,200,000 Predicted
by Hays in Opening Speech.

Coliseum, Chicago, June 8.—The
Republican national convention's
work of picking the Republican
candidate and building in a
platform, was in full swing this after-
noon.

The convention met shortly before
noon, heard the keynote address of
Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, temporary
chairman, appointed committees
on rules, permanent organization,
resolutions and credentials, and ad-
journed. The committees were to go
to work immediately after lunch.

The committee on credentials went
at once to the national committee
room in the Coliseum to inspect the
decisions of the national committee
in the contests over seating of dele-
gates, and in all probability to ap-
prove them.

The resolutions committee, most
important of all, which is to frame
the platform, was to meet at the Con-
gress hotel.

After the naming of the commit-
tees, the convention adjourned, to
meet again at 11 a. m. tomorrow,
when the reports of some of the com-
mittees will be received.

As the delegates left the hall, the
band struck up "America," and they
paused to sing.

Coliseum, Chicago, June 8.—The
1920 Republican convention is on.

Will H. Hays, chairman of the na-
tional convention, called the delegates
to order shortly after 11 a. m. today
and the work of selecting the G. O. P.
standard bearer began.

At the opening of the great con-
clave it was generally admitted that
the fight still was a "free-for-all,"
and none of the candidates has suc-
ceeded in capturing a commanding
lead.

The most important events of the
first session were expected to be the
keynote speech of Temporary chair-
man, Lodge and the appointment of
the "big four" committees, including
resolutions, which will decide the prin-
ciples on which the Republican can-
didates will make their fight for elec-
tion.

Hays opened the convention with a
brief speech. He said:

"The Republican party has met in
this open free convention to accept
from the American people a mandate
for the government of the United
States."

"As chairman of your national com-
mittee, I report progress. Four years
ago the national Republican party
was 800,000 strong. Two years ago it
was 1,200,000 strong. Today I honestly
believe it is double that number and
in November it should exceed 3,000,000."

"In spirit, I report more than pro-
gress. I report fulfillment. The great
party of the Union has become a unit.
It shall so continue. There will be
no bolt from this convention."

"By direction of your national com-
mittee, I present the name of the Hon-
orable Henry Cabot Lodge to act as your
temporary chairman."

Delegates Rung Gaudium.

The work of repping of the crowd
started before the convention was to
be called to order with a crash of
volleys of martial music from the
band. From that point onward the
tension steadily intensified.

Delegates and spectators, before
they entered the building, were forced
to run a gauntlet of stern-faced wo-
men—suffrage pickets, who stood in a
long, silent line along the front.
Hysterical pickets also faced the throng.
These women silently displayed signs
calling for votes for Hoover.

The Coliseum was a mass of Ameri-

HE IS G. O. P. LODGE



SENATOR HENRY CABOT LODGE.
He passed the password to all true and
loyal members of the Republican
faith today.

can flags from the topmost steel gir-
der to the concrete floor.

The day was hot but clear. Palm
beach suits were popular. Hundreds
carried their coats and hundreds of dele-
gates had difficulty in finding their
seats.

Aides Were Jammed. Ushers
were swamped. As the crowd in-
creased the noise of conversation grew
from a hum to a roar. The galleries
were filling up rapidly during the last
fifteen minutes before Hays was to
launch the formal proceedings. The
roof lights came on at 10:45, glaring
thru the bunting that hung from the
steel girders. There was some ap-
plause at this but apparently the
strong was in no mood for horse play.

When the hour of 11 o'clock had
nearly arrived the galleries were
nearly full. The delegates, while the
floors were congested with delegates
blocking the aisles, standing around
and talking with their hats on.

The motion picture camera, the job
setting up their cameras, as the min-
ute hand moved into the last five min-
utes before the opening hour.

The hand struck into the "Stars
and Stripes Forever."

Ovation for Lodge.

Senator Lodge strode thru the cen-
ter aisle, shaking hands.

Just before 11 o'clock, the official
stenographers and other officials of
the convention appeared on the plat-
form.

At 11:05 there was no indication of
a quick start, and the band obliged
with some jazz—Dardanella.

Nicholas Murray Butler, presiden-
tial candidate from New York ap-
peared on the floor and was warmly
greeted by the New York delegation.
He was kept busy several minutes by a
flurry of hand shakers that immediately
formed around the New York stand-
ard.

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr. of New
York, appeared on the platform and
laughingly talked over the situation
with a party that had gathered there.

Chauncey M. Depew, seated among
the New York delegates before the
convention opened, held an impromptu
reception.

Delegations Mixed.

The confusion on the floor appeared
to be increasing at 11:15. The space
immediately in front of the platform
was jammed. Many stood on chairs,
benches and the top of the platform,
while the other side in the black let-
ters read "Utah." The Virginia stand-
ard was similarly mixed up. The re-
sult was that the delegates, all three
delegations found themselves sitting
with their confederates from the other
side of the aisle.

Indications were that some real
"demonstrations" were in prospect.
As the delegates were seated it was
noticed that every delegate carried a
small American flag, and many of
them states' insensibility in addition.

The band broke into "The Red,
White and Blue" and the big crowd,
which now practically filled the build-
ing, came to its feet with waving flags
and cheering. The band continued
on.

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HOW CONVENTION LOOKS

A poll of the convention from the
press section showed the following
totals:

Gray headed—70 per cent.
Bald headed—20 per cent.
Scattered—10 per cent.
Mustaches—25 per cent.
Ordinary whiskers—10 per cent.
Mutt and Jeff whiskers—1 per cent.

Remainder uncommitted.

WILSONIAN PACT GAGE OF BATTLE TO REPUBLICANS

Wilson Dynasty and Pact Must
Be Overthrown.

Senator Lodge Sounds Keynote
of G. O. P. Campaign.

ADMINISTRATION IS DENOUNCED

Asked Armenian Mandate With
Mexico at Back Door.

Autocrat of Peace Table Is
Called Un-American.

DEFENDS SENATE'S STAND

Terms of Treaty Sacrificed All
American Principles.

People Must Tell White House
Opposition to Betrayal.

Chicago, June 8.—The country must
drive President Wilson and his
"dynasty" from power and defeat the
League of Nations as he desires it, de-
clared Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge, tem-
porary chairman of the Republican
national convention, in his keynote
address here today.

Defending the senator's opposition
to the treaty of peace as a high and
patriotic duty, the senator flung down
this gauntlet:

"We make the issue; we ask ap-
probation for what we have done. The
people will now tell us what they
think of Mr. Wilson's league and the
sacrifice of America."

While emphasizing the point that
around the league must be waged the
1920 presidential campaign, and de-
voting much of his speech to arraign-
ment of the Wilson administration,
the senator found time to lay before
the delegates the stand of the Republi-
can party on other salient problems
facing the nation.

Mexico Comes First.

Chief among these was Mexico. De-
claring it was time for the United
States to take a firm hand in things
Mexican, and ending the "peaceful
record" of the last seven years, Sen-
ator Lodge urged that this country
let the Mexicans choose as their presi-
dent a man who is upright, man
who is friendly to the United States
and determined to establish order and
then lend him a real and cordial sup-
port.

"Mexico lies at our doors," he de-
clared. "It is a primary duty for us to
deal with it under the Monroe doc-
trine, but nothing has been done and
yet we are asked to take a mandate
for Armenia."

Lodge's speech was as follows:

One of our great political parties has
symbiotically stolen the name of the
United States and has made it a
measure responsible for the perilous
condition of the world. It is the
policy of the Republican party to
oppose the policy of the Wilson ad-
ministration and to oppose the policy
of the Wilson administration.

Wilson and his dynasty, his heirs and
assigns, or anybody that is his anybody
must realize that if they do not
resign, must be driven from all control
from all influence upon the government
of the United States. They must be
driven from office and power not because
they are bad men, but because they
stand for a theory of administration and
government which is not American.

He added a like score in 1920. We
did not fail in the Civil War. We shall
not fail now.

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CONVENTIONALITIES

When Chairman Hays called the conven-
tion to order today he used a gavel
brought from the Philadelphia brought it.

Mrs. Minnie L. Grinstead, Liberal Kan-
sas, doesn't like the air in these convention
halls. She said she had been told that
the Kansas legislature forbidding smoking
in any cafe, restaurant or other public eating
place, was a good law. She said she
did it in Illinois. She preaches when the
Kansas legislature, of which she is a mem-
ber, is in session.

The band got the first applause. It
finished something very classical as the
delegates were pushing in, and got a spate
of applause that lasted nearly
eight seconds.

The assault on the Coliseum pic counter
began early. Two thousand pies were
ready for the hungry throng.

All the old dodges and some new ones
were tried by ticketless ones who wanted
to see the convention. One chap "sprayed
his ankle" on the Coliseum steps and then
was rushed to a hospital just inside the door.
He got a laugh.

Albert Brown, director of community
singing in Boston, practically stole the
show at the first singing. He sang from
his seat among the convention officials
on the platform. He led the national
anthem and "three cheers for the United
States," and later led three cheers for
Senator Lodge. He was introduced
as temporary chairman.

The west was in the forefront of the
convention seats. California, North Da-
kota, Arkansas, Colorado and Kansas and
Utah delegations were in the first row.

A youngster peddling programs in a
lobby, who evidently got his training at
Comiskey park, in a moment of mental
lapse, shouted to a group of reporters
portals of the Coliseum: "You can't tell
the players without a score card!"

Colonel Tuxer, sergeant-at-arms, got off
a good line when he discovered it was im-
possible to use the front entrance to the
platform for the Lodge speech because the
delegates had taken the front entrance
under the removable floor to the rear.
"Suppose we can lay this on the plat-
form committee," he cried to reporters.

A group of late arriving delegates got
mixed in their geography and spent several
minutes midway between Montana and
South Dakota. One of the group, a speech,
arguing with six feet of policeman.

The Well-Known Orchestra Opens the Convention With That Stirring Masterpiece,
Entitled: "There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight!"



POLLEY UP AGAIN TONIGHT

"Human Fly" to Scale Central National
Bank Building With State Journals.

Kansas avenue is due to be blocked
again this evening when George G.
Polley, the "human fly," will climb up
the side of the Central National bank
building with his bag of State Jour-
nals.

Polley amused the spectators Mon-
day evening when, after reaching the
third floor, he stopped and looked
puzzled at the vast crowd below.

"What'll I do now—I'm stuck," he
cried.

No one from below offered sugges-
tions.

"I know," Polley said in answer to
his own query. "I'll look at the State
Journal—it tells everything."

Then he took out a newspaper and
opened it as he clung to the brick
wall.

Polley climbs again at 6:30 o'clock
this evening. He is known to over-
take the country for his daredevil tactics.
He has climbed the Woodworth build-
ing in New York among his tours over
the United States.

State University, Topeka, Kan., re-
ports for him. While in Topeka he is
exhibiting at the Isis theater.

WHEAT CROP TO BE LESS.

Total Yield for 1920 Now Forecasted
at 781,000,000 Bushels.

Washington, June 8.—Total wheat
production this year will be about
781,000,000 bushels, the department
of agriculture forecast today from the
condition of the winter and spring
crops June 1. Last year's total crop
was 941,000,000 bushels.

The spring wheat area this year is
18,487,000 acres or 82 per cent of last
year's; condition 89.1 per cent of a
normal, compared with 91.2 a year
ago.

Condition of winter wheat is 78.2
per cent of a normal compared with
94.9 a year ago, and 79.1 a month
ago.

HUN CABINET IS RETAINED.

Members Tendered Resignations Fol-
lowing Receipt of General Election.

Berlin, June 8.—The government
today tendered its resignation to Presi-
dent Ebert who requested it to remain
in office provisionally.

The president also asked Chancellor
Mueller to take steps so that the re-
sults of Sunday's parliamentary elec-
tion be established as soon as pos-
sible in order that the reichstag may
be summoned at the earliest possible
date.

Republicans Open Convention With Prayer For Guidance

Chicago, June 8.—"O God of our fathers and leader of our destinies,
be with us, thy children, we pray thee, let thy mercy rest on this whole
land, and make us to know and feel that it is righteousness that exalteth
a people."

"So illumine and strengthen us, we beg thee, that we may cleave stead-
fastly to the right as thou dost give us to see the truth making no compro-
mise of duty for fear of consequences, and tonight and tomorrow, bestow
upon them wisdom and courage, and move them to place the welfare of
country and fitness for leadership above personal desire in the fulfillment
of their trust and in the opportunity for making a wise choice."

"For with those who are gathered here charged with the grave responsi-
bility of making choice of a fit person whom they may nominate for the
high office of leader of this nation and upholder of her welfare."

"Fill them with a deep sense of their accountability to thee and to the
people whom they represent; give them both insight and foresight; bestow
upon them wisdom and courage, and move them to place the welfare of
country and fitness for leadership above personal desire in the fulfillment
of their trust and in the opportunity for making a wise choice."

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bility of making choice of a fit person whom they may nominate for the
high office of leader of this nation and upholder of her welfare."

With this prayer, the Rev. Charles E. Woodcock of Louisville, Ky., opened
the first session of the Republican national convention here this morning.

The Weather

FORECAST FOR KANSAS.
Generally fair tonight and Wednes-
day; continued warmer.

WEDNESDAY TO BE FAIR.

Rainy Weather Due to Break Up
Late Today.

TODAY'S TEMPERATURES:
7 o'clock.....72 11 o'clock.....70
8 o'clock.....62 12 o'clock.....74
9 o'clock.....65 1 o'clock.....77
10 o'clock.....68 2 o'clock.....79

The cloudy, rainy weather is due to
break up late today and will be fol-
lowed Wednesday by fair, warmer
weather, according to R. R. Laskowski,
local observer. Wednesday may be
partly cloudy but rain is not antici-
pated.

Rain fell in several parts of eastern
Kansas in the last 24 hours. Reports
follow: Topeka, 1.7; Kansas City,
1.36; St. Joseph, 3.74; Lawrence,
1.50; Ottawa, 1.15. The heaviest re-
cord in the United States was 4.62
inches at Jacksonville, Fla.

A temperature of 94 degrees was
general Monday afternoon in western
Kansas. The highest reported in the
state was 94 at Anthony. The tempera-
ture reached 100 degrees Phoenix,
Ariz. The low temperature in Topeka
this morning was 70 degrees.

The department of agriculture pre-
dicted a temperature of 80 for this afternoon. Wed-
nesday afternoon the temperature will
be nearer 90 degrees.

Extremes on record for this date
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BIG CUT IN PRICES ON SHOES.

St. Louis Factories Reduce Cost 25
Cents to \$2 a Pair.

St. Louis, June 8.—Reductions in
the wholesale prices of various styles
of shoes of from 25 cents to \$2 a pair
were announced today by officials of
three of the largest shoe manufactur-
ing establishments here.

New Lineup for Hun Reichstag.

Berlin, June 8.—Revised figures
from twenty main districts in Ger-
many out of a total of thirty-two
show the Nationalists will have twenty-
six members of the new reichstag, the
Volkspartei, 29; the Centrists,
13; the Democrats, 18; the Majority
Socialists, 41; Independents, 42, and
the Communists, 2.

LOWDEN SLATE VICTORIOUS.

Defeats Chicago Mayor in Delegation
Caucus by 26 to 23 Votes.

Chicago, June 8.—Governor Low-
den goes into the Republican con-
vention undisputed master in his home
state as a result of his victory last
night in the Illinois caucus over Mayor
William Hale Thompson of Chicago,
but probably will lose the seventeen
Cook county (Chicago) votes which
Thompson controlled.

The governor's slate went thru after
one test vote in which his forces de-
feated those of Thompson, 26 to 23.
Senator Lawrence Y. Sherman was
chosen national committeeman to
succeed Thompson, and Senator Medill
McCormick was named for the con-
vention committee on resolutions
which Thompson sought.

Standard Cuts Price of Oil.

New York, June 8.—The Standard
Oil company of New York today re-
duced the price of petroleum 4 cents
making refined in cases 25 1/2 cents
and standard white in barrels 24 1/2
cents.

Turk Nationalists Win Victory.

Paris, June 8.—Turkish nationalist
forces have defeated government
troops and have advanced up to with-
in about five and a half miles of
the city of Ankara, according to
dispatches received by newspapers here.

Seven Killed in Vienna Food Riots.

Vienna, June 8.—Violent demon-
strations occurred here yesterday over
the high cost of food. Police inter-
vened according to Constantinople
seven persons being killed and twenty-
two wounded. Many arrests were
made.

Colby Wants To Be Delegate.

Washington, June 8.—Secretary
Colby will probably go to the Demo-
cratic national convention as a dele-
gate from the District of Columbia.
He has entered the Friday primary.

TO THRESH OUT ALL PROBLEMS IN CONVENTION

Up to the Last Minute No
Agreements Made.

Old Guard Violated Custom
and Came in Early.

NO ELEVENTH HOUR CONFABS

Very Few Seats for Sale—Those
at Fabulous Prices.

With Exception of Georgia Are
No Contest Fights.

Chicago, June 8.—When the dele-
gates and the other crowds here piled
out of bed and scattered for breakfast,
they feared a blistering hot day and
uncomfortably warm in the morning
hours and the temperature climbing.
The weather sharps had predicted
"Generally fair and not much change
in temperature," but the crowds could
not take that view.

There was an early start toward the
Coliseum, many of the late night
stragglers being a bit weary, with a
long siege ahead.

Around the hotels a few barkers of-
fered tickets to the convention at
fabulous prices, with few buyers. The
crowd was wise knowing today's ses-
sion would supply the excitement.

All Were Up Early.

The candidates were up and about
early. Campaign managers were on
the job taking stock and hoping to
find out of their guests and possibly
overnight changes in the lineup. In the
rush to get to the Coliseum nobody
paid much attention to the morning
conference with candidates and there
was evidence that this method of ob-
taining publicity was wearing itself
out, for some of the leading aspirants
sent away word yesterday that there
was nothing to say.

Everybody was still up in the air as
to who would win the nomination
and from all sides there was a volley
of inquiries as to when the job might
be finished. Also, for many the
weather was a matter of mere interest
than the nominee.

Less than a dozen state delegations
had failed to hold a caucus, but with
the exception of Georgia and possibly
one or two others there was no fight
ahead, and little interest was dis-
played.

The main idea was to get to the con-
vention hall, to see the break away
and hope thereby to get the right
slant on the fight, the whole idea was
a lot of talk about Johnson.

Thousands Stood Waiting.

Hours before the doors were opened
at the big Coliseum today thousands
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FROM KANSAS ANGLE

Seemingly Kansas sent the biggest state
delegation to Chicago which ever attended
a Republican national convention from
the state. Fred E. Stanley, Republi-
can national committeeman, is swamped
with ticket talk. Unless there is relief
forced from some of the other dele-
gations, it may be necessary for a number of
the home states to make sketches and
cartoons for the newspapers.

Wesley Childs, who again operated a
special train to the national convention, is
aiding in herding the Kansas delegates
and visitors in the hotel. Childs' ser-
vice is also entering trouble in
providing transportation for his
train patrons.

Jay E. House, of the Philadelphia Pub-
lic, has been in the convention hall
for the Curtis publications and incidentally
is devoting much time to visits with the
delegates from some of the other dele-
gations. He is writing a column of convention
stuff for the Public Ledger.

Field, also former Topekan, ap-
peared here for the convention last week
and is expected to work to the advantage
of the Motor Trades association, which
will make the trip with a Harley-Davidson
motorcycle and sidecar.

Charles F. Scott, former congressman
from the Second district and publisher of
the Topeka Daily Tribune, is in the
press box this week. Scott arrived in
Chicago after a trip to the northern pa-
per states with Herbert C. Brown, publisher of
the Chanute Daily Tribune.

It is estimated more than 300 Kansans
are here for the convention. This number
is being augmented by the arrival of a
train from the west and it is probable
more than 1,000 men and women from
Kansas towns will be seen at one or more ses-
sions of the convention.

The heaviest demand for tickets by Kan-
sians has been for Thursday tickets. That
is the day of the day. The tickets are
being sold at a premium. The convention
opening with its Kansas color and the usual
demonstrations which come with nominat-
ing speeches, make strong appeals and the
Thursday meeting day may be the re-
sult of the big show.

Governor Allen spent Sunday in the
country. He worked out on his nominat-
ing speech. But Tuesday the speech was
revised and announced in the giving out of
the speech to press representatives.